

had rather had one of the eagles which kept his young antelopes in jeopardy: But as he could not destroy them with his net, which had hung a considerable time without the intended success, he projects the prevention of their increase by destroying their eggs, leaving his nets wholly for the use they had been successful in, and searches the cliffs of the rocks next to the sea, where those birds commonly build; having found several nests, he takes away the eggs that were in them, and carries them home, in order to empty the shells, and hang them up and down in his habitation, among the green leaves that covered the ceiling, but having accidentally broke one, and the yolk and white thereof being like that of a turkey, he had the curiosity to boil one and taste it, which eat much after the manner of a swan's. The rest he saved to eat now and then by way of change.

In this prosperous way he lived fifteen years, finding no alteration in the seasons, during which time he made himself a winter garb of the soft grafs, which reached to his heels, and a cap of the same.

Being one day on the rocks, he saw something like an Indian canoe; fearing there might be some of those people on the island, he

he hastens home to secure what he had, but it was too late; they had been ready, and had taken away the cloth in the chest; which being too late, he hung on a pin behind the door. He was content with that, he would not have it; but they carried away some of the shells, and what grieved him more, the bird he had taken such pains to secure, he lost his bow and arrows.

Having missed these things, which he valued, he hastens to the outside with his long staff in his hand, but it was too late, the canoe being gone. He then walked to the other side of the rock to discover what damage they had done the night before.

As he was looking about him, he saw some men come down the rock with a long pole, and die in his arm, who going to the shore, he took to be a chest, and having put a load into it, pushed it away, and a long-boat that lay at some distance from the jetting part of the rock, which he saw from his sight, as also the ship that was to come.

Being come home, he suspected that the sailors had most sacrilegiously rifled and sacked his habitation. not lea-